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## **Listing of the Claims:**

This courtesy listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in the present application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1-8. (Canceled).

9. (Previously Presented) A device for triggering a restraining device in a vehicle, comprising:

an arrangement for triggering the restraining device as a function of a velocity of the vehicle, the arrangement considering the vehicle velocity as a function of a signal from at least one remote sensor,

wherein the velocity is provided by a sensor arrangement that determines the velocity, and

wherein the remote sensor is used to perform a plausibility check for the velocity of the vehicle.

- 10. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 9, wherein the sensor is an acceleration sensor.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, further comprising: a modifying arrangement means for modifying at least one threshold to which at least one crash signal is compared for the triggering of the restraining device, as a function of the vehicle velocity.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 11, further comprising: a subdividing arrangement means for subdividing the vehicle velocity into a predefined class as a function of a magnitude of the vehicle velocity and then for modifying the threshold as a function of the class.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 9, wherein the at least one remote sensor is an upfront sensor.

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- 14. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 13, further comprising: a comparing arrangement means for comparing the signal of the upfront sensor to a plausibility threshold, the plausibility threshold lying below a trigger threshold for generating a crash signal of the upfront sensor, the vehicle velocity being taken into consideration in the triggering of the restraining device as a function of the comparison.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 11, wherein the vehicle velocity leads to a modification of the threshold in a frontal algorithm.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 11, wherein the vehicle velocity leads to a modification of the threshold in an upfront algorithm.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 9, wherein the sensor arrangement includes a speedometer.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 9, wherein the sensor arrangement determines the velocity based on wheel speed data.
- 19. (New) The device according to claim 9, wherein the sensor arrangement includes a speedometer, and wherein the sensor arrangement determines the velocity based on wheel speed data.
- 20. (New) The device according to claim 11, wherein the sensor arrangement includes a speedometer, and wherein the sensor arrangement determines the velocity based on wheel speed data.
- 21. (New) The device according to claim 11, wherein the sensor arrangement includes a speedometer, and wherein the sensor arrangement determines the velocity based on wheel speed data.
- 22. (New) The device according to claim 9, further comprising:

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a modifying arrangement for modifying at least one threshold to which at least one crash signal is compared for the triggering of the restraining device, as a function of the vehicle velocity;

a subdividing arrangement for subdividing the vehicle velocity into a predefined class as a function of a magnitude of the vehicle velocity and then for modifying the threshold as a function of the class; and

a comparing arrangement for comparing the signal of the at least one remote sensor to a plausibility threshold, the plausibility threshold lying below a trigger threshold for generating a crash signal of the at least one remote sensor, the vehicle velocity being taken into consideration in the triggering of the restraining device as a function of the comparison.

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